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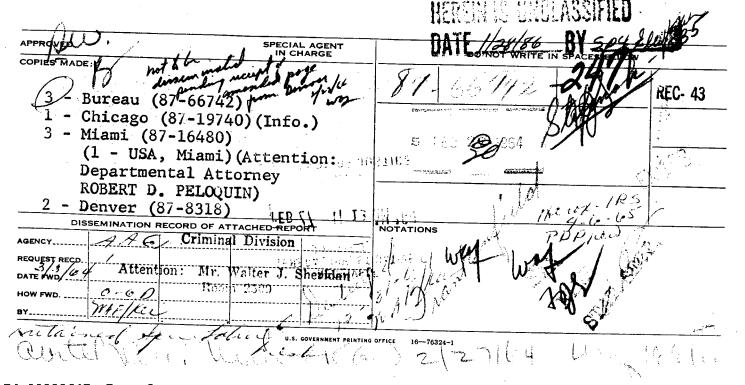
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Title:

CHARLES WILLIAM BRAY; FELIX ANTHONY ALDERISIO; SANTO TRAFFICANTE, Jr.;

PAN AMERICAN BANK OF MIAMI, FLORIDA - VICTIM

Character:

Synopsis:

INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION OF STOLEN PROPERTY; MAIL FRAUD; INTERSTATE TRANSPORTATION IN AID OF

RACKETEERING - EXTORTION (ACCOUNTING AND FRAUD SECTION)

JAMES WILLIAM EGAN states that although he had previously mentioned demands by ALDERISIO as relating to one-third of the profits of deal that he, EGAN, and BRAY had with SAM KAY, this would have actually amounted to a sum of \$200,000 in view of the terms of their contract with SAM KAY, which specified a total profit of \$600,000 to be received by them. EGAN states that he had not consented to the demands as being made by ALDERISIO, who explained that he was referring to one-third of entire deal and not just to a portion of BRAY's share. EGAN states that ALDERISIO thereafter specifically commented that he was taking one-third of entire deal; that EGAN might as well make up his mind to this fact inasmuch as "You know we don't use the courts." EGAN states that demeanor of ALDERISIO during entire period of meeting was such that there was no doubt in his mind that ALDERISIO would do absolutely anything necessary to accomplish his purpose and he, EGAN, was convinced that the sole objective of the meeting at SAM KAY's office was to let him know that this was the situation. EGAN states that although no comment was made as to the specific action that could or would be taken to enforce ALDERISIO's demands, he was gravely concerned for both his own safety as well as for that of his daughter, who had been mentioned by ALDERISIO in such

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a manner as to indicate that if he cared for her, he would consent to the demands being made for a one-third share in the entire deal. EGAN concluded that all of the statements made by ALDERISIO, as well as the manner in which they were made, were interpreted by him to have been made for the sole purpose of letting him know that he would be in danger if he tried to do anything contrary to ALDERISIO's demands. ALDERISIO SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS SINCE HE IS ALLEGED TO CARRY A GUN IN A SHOULDER HOLSTER. TRAFFICANTE SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS DUE TO HIS PAST ASSOCIATIONS IN CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES.

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#### **DETAILS:**

Mr. EDWARD HARRINGTON, Departmental Attorney, appeared at the Denver Office on January 7, 1964, at which time he advised Special Agents ARTHUR W. ENGSTROM and PAUL E. BUSH that he had been in contact with JAMES WILLIAM EGAN on the previous date and that during this contact, EGAN had mentioned for the very first time that the demands previously made by FELIX ANTHONY ALDERISIO had related to the specific sum of \$200,000. Mr. HARRINGTON stated that in all previous conversations relating to the demands made by ALDERISIO, EGAN had indicated that ALDERISIO was demanding a one-third interest in their South American deal, and for this reason requested that EGAN be reinterviewed for additional details as to the specific sum of money now being recalled and mentioned by him.

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again at that time expressed his position that he would not volunteer to limit his share of the profits in order to comply with ALDERISIO's demands. Mr. EGAN stated that ALDERISIO, at this time, stated that he had made an agreement with BRAY to receive a one-third interest in the deal and ALDERISIO added after EGAN stated he did not believe such an arrangement had been effected, that he, ALDERISIO, was there at the time the deal was made and that he personally believed it.

EGAN stated that there was no doubt in his mind at that time that ALDERISIO was serious about demanding a one-third portion of the whole deal in that he had stated to EGAN that he might just as well make up his mind to this fact and added that, "You know we don't use the courts."

EGAN reiterated that this comment by ALDERISIO together with others which were made by him frequently and which included such statements as "You know who I am" and "You know what I mean", were interpreted by him as implied threats indicating that ALDERISIO would do anything that was necessary in order to accomplish his purpose. EGAN stated that as a matter of fact, the demeanor of ALDERISIO during the entire period of the meeting was such as to create this impression and he was convinced that the sole objective of the meeting at SAM KAY's office was to let him know that this was the situation.

EGAN pointed out that the matter of his daughter was not brought into the conversation until after he had indicated that he would not consent to ALDERISIO's demands and for this reason, he was not only gravely concerned for his own safety but for the safety of his daughter as well. He added that the manner in which his daughter had been brought into the conversation was such that he had to assume that ALDERISIO wanted him to know

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that if he cared for her, he would consent to ALDERISIO's demands for a one-third interest in the entire deal.

EGAN explained further that although no comment had been made by ALDERISIO as to the specific action that could or would be taken to influence his demands, EGAN was confident that ALDERISIO did not want there to be any doubt that he would go as far as necessary and that this could, of course, include either him or his daughter being maimed or killed.

EGAN concluded that based upon his interpretation of all of the various comments made by ALDERISIO, he had to assume that the very worst could happen to him and it was for this reason he had discussed the possibility of being afforded protection and which request was approved and provided at the direction of the Departmental Attorneys with whom he had been in close and frequent contact.

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